



**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029**

SENT VIA EMAIL

September 15, 2016

Mr. Joseph Vitale
Ramboll Environ
20 Custom House Street
Suite 800
Boston, MA 02110

re: EPA Administrative Settlement and Order on Consent for Removal Response Action
(CERC-03-2016-0055DA) (Order) and Response Action Plan (RAP)

Dear Mr. Vitale:

EPA has reviewed the Response Action Plan (RAP) for the Metal Bank of America Site submitted on behalf of Respondents to the above-referenced Order. The RAP was prepared by Ramboll Environ and originally submitted on August 12, 2016 by email. EPA provided correspondence on August 18, 2016 indicating that the RAP could not then be approved due largely to the absence of a Site Specific Health and Safety Plan (HASP).

The RAP was re-submitted on September 13, 2016 along with a HASP. EPA has reviewed the submittal. This correspondence notifies you in accordance with Section 8.5 of the Order that EPA approves the RAP. This correspondence is the EPA's "approval to proceed".

Section 8.6 of the Order requires Respondents to proceed with implementation of the RAP within 10 days of this approval in accordance with the schedule contained therein. I fully understand that the schedule is dependent upon the schedule of the key subcontractor performing the paving work and is now tentatively established to occur in late October pending weather and other factors largely in the hands of the subcontractor. This schedule is approved contingent upon the coordination requirement underlined in the following paragraph.

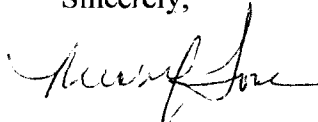
Section 8.7 of the Order requires submittal of a Progress Report seven (7) days subsequent to the approval of the RAP and then every seven days thereafter (or such longer interval as may be determined by the EPA Project Coordinator). This correspondence notifies Respondents that the Progress Report submittal requirement is herein adjusted as follows: Progress Report #1 to be submitted within 7 days of the approval of the RAP to include any updates to the schedule. Respondents are herein also requested to routinely update the EPA

Project Coordinator by email of the status of the progress towards the start of the onsite activities. Progress Report #2 and Final to be submitted within 7 days of the conclusion of the on-Site work defined in the RAP.

This correspondence further informs Respondents that EPA has abandoned its recently installed ground water monitoring wells at the Site which were located within or near to the area subject to the paving activities.

If you have any questions or concerns about the content or intent of this correspondence or need further clarification, then please do not hesitate to contact me at 215-287-2443 or at towle.michael@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Towle", written in a cursive style.

Michael Towle
Project Coordinator
On-Scene Coordinator

cc: Dan Jordanger, Hunton & Williams
Robert Hasson, EPA
Nicholas Steenhaut, Ramboll Environ